



THE BAYONET



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AUGUSTA'S FIRST FORMAL



The cadets held their first formal dance of the first weekend in November. Many completely new ideas were employed, which came as a surprise to many. In years gone by, the opening formal was just another formal—not so this year. Captain Savedge, Augusta's capable social director, has introduced a series of new ideas which should be of interest to all of us. For instance, a figure was very beautifully done by the cadet officers, led by cadet Captain Jim-

mie Mahanes, and Cadet Captain A. L. Howard, spelling out a "C" and various other things. The "C" was in honor of Sergeant Crumley, who was transferred to another unit. We lost Sergeant Crumley on the 18th of November. His leaving was a great loss to us all.

The decorations had few changes, except that the cadet Captains names were spelled out across the walls in huge silvered letters. As if to spite their age, the decorations held all their original beauty.

A new orchestra was employed at the dance, a group called, "THE MUSIC MAC'S". They did such a good job, we've decided to ask them for our next dance. The leader of the combo was Capt. Weekly, our school Band Director. The Music Mac's are a capable group, and their range goes from jazz to soft, dreamy music.

As per usual, a large number of Stuart Hall and Fairfax Hall girls enjoyed themselves. Several Mary Baldwin girls also attended.

came out in pajamas. All the boys seemed to enjoy themselves as they went roaring onto the back field to see the tremendous fire which was aided by 25 gallons of gasoline.

Bonfire

The Thanksgiving Week began Wednesday evening as we held our annual bonfire. Col. C. S. Roller allowed the cadets to wear whatever they desired and many boys

Major Christy Names Permanent Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers

Major James V. Christy, major of Military Tactics at A. M. A. has issued the permanent officers and NCO's for the school year of 1955-1956.

The Captains of the line companies are as follows:

"A" Company—Bill Babione who is a fourth year cadet and an officer on the Roller Rifles.

"B" Company is commanded by Steve Tomasek who is a sixth year cadet and a member of the Varsity football squad.

"C" Company — James Hollar. Jim is a third year cadet and is president of the third year cadets.

"D" Company — Ed Daughtrey who is a fourth year cadet and a captain of the Rifle Team.

"HQ" Company — Harry Sommers. Harry is a fourth year cadet and a member of the Varsity football squad.

Band — Jim Mahanes—Jim is a sixth year cadet and is president of the Student Body.

Cadet Adrian Howard is the Battalion Commander. Adrian is in his third year at Augusta and is the Co-President of the Student Body.

Cadet Robert Mariner is the Battalion Adjutant. Bob is a fifth year cadet and a member of the Roller Rifles.

These men are ably assisted by their Lt. and NCO's, who are:

(A) First Lt. Robert Pupo, Second Lt. Jim Lanks. First Sgt.

George Snyder. NCO's — Wahl Durst, R. Moros, Turner, J., Pugh, Biggs. The Platoon Sgts. are: Fancher and Leuterio.

(B) First Lt. Dick Mower, Second Lt. Bill Aguiar, First Sgt. Victor Rodriguez. NCO's—Bibbs, Weiner, Hernandez, Rinios, Rossodovita, Clotfelter, C. Balladares, and Steeley. Platoon Sgts. Ray Foubion, and Hugh Llewellyn.

(C) First Lt. Herman Cuesta, Second Lt. John Buchanan, First Sgt. Gonzalez. NCO's—Diaz, Arria, Rogers, W. Meier, Garcia Martinez, Cowell, and McVey, R. Platoon Sgts. Webster, and Friele.

(D) First Lt. Carlos Giammaria, Second Lt. Tyrone Tomasek, First Sgt. Hugh Harmon. NCO's —Hubbard, Corbell, N., Staudt, Vetencourt, Bickford, Grammar, Petty, T., Rhodes. Platoon Sgts.—Quimby and Mangin.

Band—First Lt. Nick Crump, Second Lt. Goodloe Saunders, First Sgt. A. N. Sandridge. NCO's —Turner, R., Mejia, Snyder, L., McVey, W., Lopez, and Bergman. Platoon Sgt. Emmons.

HQ. First Lt. Rodgers, S., Second Lt. Humes, J., First Sgt. Hume, G. NCO's — Yates, Joseph, Stuckey, and Baker. Platoon Sgts. Byrd, and Clotfelter, R.

Battalion Commander is assisted by Cadet Doug Trainum who is first Lt. Doug is a fourth cadet and is treasurer of the Student Body.

Roller Rifles Going To Waynesboro

Colonel Roller has just announced that he has accepted an invitation for the Roller Rifles to march in Waynesboro's annual Christmas Parade on December 2nd.

The Roller Rifles, under the leadership of M/Sgt. Lawrance and cadet Captain Adrian Howard have been practicing recently. They are polishing up the old stand-bys, such as, change squads, counter march, Marching manual, etc.

The Roller Rifles have been invited to eat at the Hotel Wayne before the parade. After the parade we will have a leave off until 11 O'clock.

We are sure they will put on a fine exhibition, best of luck to this outstanding drill team.

Corps Parades In Harrisonburg

This is it, Harrisonburg again! The Corps has at last been loaded aboard the many busses and driven northward towards the Annual Armistice Day Parade in Harrisonburg.

Augusta once again is matched against the other local military schools and civilian drill teams for the cup given to the best drilled unit.

Last year, as you old cadets know, the parade was a great event. It had over 200 units, such as bands, drill teams, Army Reserve Units, Color Guards, and many floats (sponsored by local merchants), civic and political groups. This year it was much the same. Several thousand spectators attended, the various "Queens" of different organizations, attended. We had the new ambulance in the parade. On the average we have not had as much drilling as we had last year.

All in all, the entire corps had a great time, and all except the graduating class look forward to it again next year.

Augusta Bayonet, Recall Will Attend S.I.P.A. Convention

The spring meeting of the Southern Interscholastic Press Association will be held at Washington and Lee University on Friday and Saturday, April 30, and May 1st, 1955. Augusta will send representatives to this meeting. Those Cadets are Steve Tomasek and Adrian Howard, editors of the Recall and Jimmy Hollar and Doug Trainum, editors of the Bayonet. Both the Recall and the Bayonet will be entered for competition with other schools in that class of the association.

The Recall and Bayonet have won first place awards for the past three consecutive years.

Ex-Communist Prisoner Speaks At Y. M. C. A.

Mr. Augustin Sebeck from Slovakia spoke at the Y.M.C.A. Meeting of November 13. His talk was very interesting and beneficial to all cadets who were present.

Mr. Sebeck is a native of Slovakia. Ten years ago he was able to escape from the Communist held country with help from the "under ground." He has been in America for the past six years. He tours the country making talks on the Communist way of life.

In his speech he told us that most of the people in the Communist countries are against the Communist party but it is impossible for them to do anything about it. He also said that the Communists ruled the people by fear, that fear is the Communists greatest weapon.

Mr. Sebeck also told us that in Russia as in all the Communist dominated countries the people were made to worship only the Communist dictator. He is the only true God, so the fearful people are told.

Mr. Sebeck closed by telling us how lucky we are to live in America, the Land of the Free.

SUSTAINED SUPPORT

So far this year the spirit of the Corps at football games has been commendable. However, for the past few games, there has been a lag in the corps' spirit, which has been noticed by everyone at games. The boys have had a few bad breaks, and have been playing teams way out of our class which have cost them the victory we all look for, but if we desert them now, we might as well admit that there is no spirit at A.M.A.

Let's take a look at the statistics. At the V.E.S. game we outclassed them in first downs and also hard all around playing. Again a few bad breaks beat us, but the A.M.A. cadets, and rooters who witnessed that game never stopped cheering for the team until the final whistle was sounded. The team doesn't stop trying until the clocks run out of time, so why should we? After all, we aren't getting pounded and bruised in every quarter. All that is required of us is a little lung power after each play just to show the boys that we are with them, whether we are winning or losing. It is very easy to sit and criticize but try to imagine yourself in a line or backfield position, praying that you can get that ball on the next play. If eleven men can work themselves into a state of near exhaustion, just so you can stuff up your chest during games you surely can show a little spirit to give them something to work for.

I can imagine the snorts of derision from some of the readers, but again, let's look at the bare facts. Our team practices at every available moment, not to mention the countless hours they spend in the lecture room studying the opposition through scouting reports. If you think the team lacks spirit, you should see them in practice. You will be glad to cheer for them after that.

Annual Game

Fishburne came to the Clay Bowl the following afternoon to play the annual game which has been carried on for 55 years. The crowd of about 500 watched Bobby Eanes of Clifton Forge score four touchdowns to build up a score of 46-0 in favor of Fishburne. The boys from Waynesboro were just too good. Their bench strength was much better than Augusta's and A.M.A. just couldn't seem to stop Eanes. The score at the half was 33 to 0, but it appeared that Augusta played slightly better the second half to hold Fishburne to two touchdowns. Although Augusta never really penetrated deep into Fishburne's territory there were some standouts for the losing cause. Albert Krise and Charley Hollingsworth played over their head but they just couldn't seem to stop the Fishburne players who were almost all on scholarship. Steve Rodgers and Jimmy Mahanes were standouts on offense, but they just couldn't be shook loose. Augusta just didn't have what it takes to beat a professional team.

Banquet

Following the ball game the entire corps was given off until 11 o'clock and the football team was given off until midnight. School went on regularly the next day but that night there was the buffet supper. At the dinner there were close to 200 guests and everyone seemed to enjoy the excellent food prepared by Capt. Holsinger and his crew. Following the dinner Col. Roller and Major Parkins presented the major and minor varsity letters. Also this year a new award was given to the boys who played on the junior team. Charles Hollingsworth and Steve Rogers gave the varsity coaches presents and both coaches made speeches. Also the varsity football captains for next year were announced. Steve Rogers and Buttor Byrd were the boys elected.

Coulon Heads First Honor Roll

Cadet Maurice Coulon, a small boy from Junior Barracks received the highest academic honor out of



the whole school, for the first month of school, for having the highest average, the total of which was 98.6 in all of his subjects. Second in line for this coveted honor was Tom Petty, a day student from Staunton, Va. We all congratulated especially these two boys and all the others who made that "hard to get on Honor Roll".

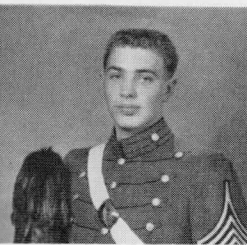
Col. Roller our principal, has a special privilege list. This consists of all the cadets who made an average of 85 to 90. When this month's grades were released there were 51 cadets that made the special privilege list. This is the largest number to ever be on the list.

Let's all work hard this month and try to get on the Honor Roll or the Privilege list.

PRESENTING PERMANENT CADET CAPTAINS FOR 1955-56



1st Captain
Adrian
Howard



"A" Co.
William
Babione



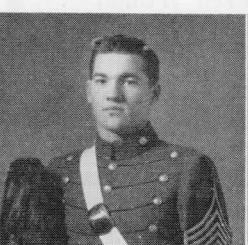
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Tomasek



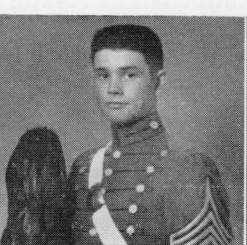
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Hollar



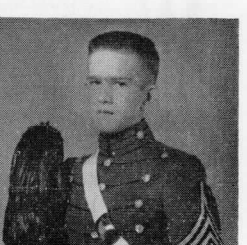
"D" Co.
Ed
Daughtrey



"Band" Co.
James
Mahanes



"HQ" Co.
Harry
Sommers



Adjutant
Robert
Mariner

CHRISTMAS—A WORLD WIDE HOLIDAY

Just after the shortest day in the year, when the earth begins to turn its northern hemisphere toward the sun, more than half the nations of the globe celebrate Christmas—the birthday of Jesus Christ. No other festival brings so much happiness to so many persons, and no other holiday is so widely observed the world around.

“Glory to God in the highest, and on Earth Peace, good will toward men,” is its inspiring message. The exact date of Jesus’ birth is not known, and for 200 years or more while Christians lived in the shadow of persecution, the church had no Christmas celebration. Soon after, the new feast was being observed on various dates — especially January 6, and March 26. By the middle of the fourth century, the western church was celebrating on December 25th. Later the Eastern church accepted this date.

A MERRY HOLIDAY

Our Christmas decorations of evergreens came to us from Pre-Christian times. The Christmas tree, however, does make us feel gay and enlightens our spirit and makes us happy. Another of our customs which makes Christmas beautiful, is the singing of songs which we call carols. They probably began in the early church, where nativity plays were given which told the story of Christ’s birth and carols or songs of joy, were sung. Later carols were sung by groups who went about from house to house. No one ever forgets our beloved carols. The manger scene plays an important role in many countries. In fact in quite a few countries, the manger scene takes the place of all other decorations, such as Christmas trees, wreathes, etc.

OUR CHRISTMAS IN THE UNITED STATES TODAY

The present day American Christmas is the heir of Christmas in many lands and in many ages, for colonists from England and Holland, from Germany and Sweden, from many others, have all contributed to it some of the customs of their homelands. Above all, it is a day of family celebration and a special day for the children.

Houses are decorated with wreathes and greens. On Christmas eve a tree is set up and made beautiful by many various decorations. From the window holly wreaths, mistletoe and many other brightly colored plants greet the passers by. The lawn trees are decorated with magnificent colors.

On Christmas eve children hang up their stockings and while they sleep Santa Claus fills each stocking with toys, oranges, nuts, and candy, to be discovered early on Christmas morning after the exchange of gifts the family may go to church, but the remainder of the day is usually spent in happy celebration at home.

Church have special music and beautiful decorations. Many have a midnight service on Christmas eve, and some have plays or entertainment.

In the South, fireworks illuminate the skies of Christmas eve and boom through Christmas day. Many Southern observances, like that of the burning of the yule log, reminiscent of old English celebration. In some sections of the South and in the Southwest, Christmas festivals have a strong flavor of Mexican, Spanish, and other Latin customs.

Last but not least, the American Christmas especially remembers the poor. Every community takes the responsibility of seeing that some joy or comfort comes to its less fortunate members. Churches, schools, and charitable organizations collect food and clothing. Other groups provide entertainment and gifts for the children whose parents are not able to give them a happy holiday.

No matter how the way, we will all remember Christmas as the day that enlightens our hearts and fills us with joy, spirit, and happiness along with many traditions shall never die.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

WE NEED CANDIDATES FOR THE BAYONET

During the past eight years the Bayonet has won enviable positions and honors in national contests. This was because of the work of many cadets who were interested in bettering all previous publication records.

Again this year we have chosen as our goal an even better and larger school paper. We can achieve his record only through the help of every cadet in the corps.

No rewards or prizes are offered other than the promise that your English and your way of expression will improve in such a way that your marks in all subjects will increase in proportion to your effort.

There is a personal satisfaction derived from working with your fellow cadets in publishing the paper.

See the advisor or any member of the staff and sign up for a year full of the real “Augusta”.

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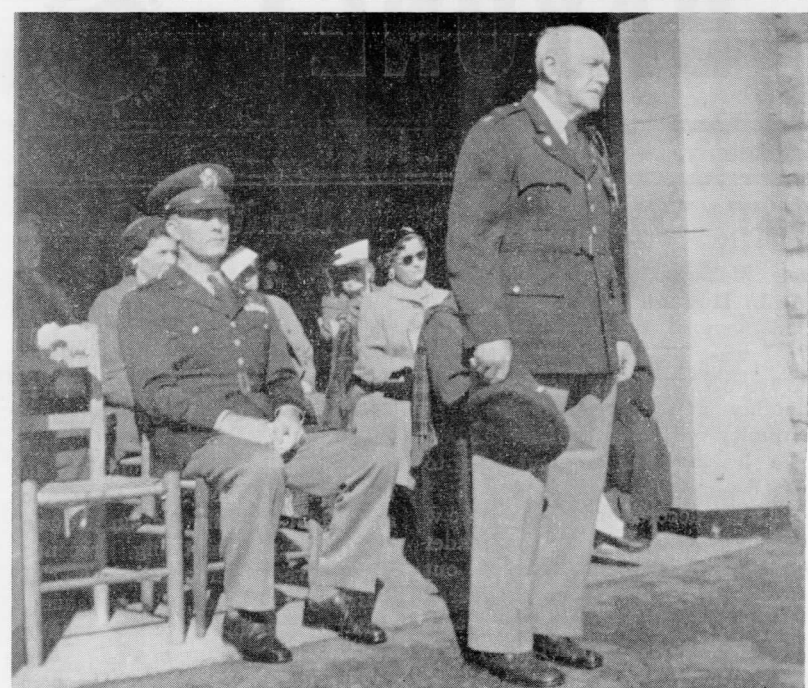
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COL. ROLLER INTRODUCES SPEAKER

A. M. A. OBSERVES VETERAN’S DAY

A very impressive and inspiring veterans day program was held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, November 11.

Col. Chas. S. Roller opened the program with some very pertinent remarks concerning this veterans day celebration. He pointed out that many people think that this was a day of rejoicing and boisterousness among the soldiers, but that instead, there was perfect stillness.

Col. Roller then turned the program over to Col. Louisell who called the roll of the Honored Dead of Augusta. These boys who made the supreme sacrifice.

As each name was called, a Cadet stepped forward and answered by saying, “Died On The Field of Honor Sir.”

There were many Augusta boys who have made the supreme sacrifice, and this was Augusta’s way of remembering these boys.

Appropriate music was then played by the A.M.A. band.

Col. Roller then introduced the speaker of the day who was Col. L. L. Sexton, executive officer of the infantry at V.M.I.

Col. Sexton graduated from V.M.I. in the class of 1941. He certainly gave us much food for thought.

Col. Sexton pointed out that we should all pause to pay our respects to all who have given their lives, especially the A.M.A. boys.

“We must voice our sincere appreciation of what has been done. At the same time, we must realize that there is much yet which is to be done.”

“We do not inherit such things as honor, esteem, patriotic devotion. These things are acquired and must be fought for and preserved.”

“Will America have peace is a question that has often been asked. The festering sore of human hatred appears again and again. We thought we had peace several times, but something always upset our hopes.

On Dec. 7, 1941, the fragments of Wilson’s dream of peace were shattered. Again. The police action in Korea threatened our peace efforts. The hope of peace lies in our military strength. In times of peace people forget about this fact. The world does not seem to regard a weak nation. We recognize this fact, and we have made it clear to the communistic countries.

Col. Sexton closed with this quotation from President Eisenhower, “Remember a soldier’s pack is not so heavy a burden as a prisoner in chains.”

Traditions At Augusta

The traditions at Augusta go back a long, long way. When the school first started back in the hectic days following the War Between the States the students at Professor Roller’s school, then the “Augusta Male Academy”, founded traditions that are still a living part of today’s Augusta.

The close of the War Between the States found the Shenandoah Valley a blackened ruin with no educational facilities. The Northern Army and other Yankees had seen to that. Upon his return to this chaos, Professor Charles S. Roller who had been fighting with Gen. Jeb Stuart, dived headlong into the job of reconstruction. He founded the school and helped the area get on its feet again. The aim of the school has not changed since that time, the aim is “To develop boys physically and mentally into true Southern Gentlemen.”

One of the older traditions is the salute that is given to cars on the Valley Pike. This tradition dates back when the students at the old Augusta Male Academy saluted

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Spanish Column

Estimados Companeros.-

Hoy les escribo por pimera vez este ano. Como dijo un companero mio en la pasada ecidion del “Bayonet” esteano supera a todos los anteriores en el numero de latinos que haya tenido este colegio desde su fundacion.-

Pero recuerden que cantidad no siempre significa calidad. Quizas esto no signifiquie mucho para algunos de ustedes, bien tratare de ser mas esplisito.-

Como ustedes sabran muchos de nosotros tenemos una buena reputacion aqui y tratamos de poner el nombre de nuestro grupo en alto desdichadamente cada regla tiene su excepcion y qui tambien las hay sin necesidad de mencionar nombres.-

Recuerden que todo lo que hagamos malo, se reflejara en nuestro grupo y quiera Dios que nos demos de cuenta ahora que estamos a tiempo y que no pase como en otros lugares que en lugar de ser bien recibidos nos tratan como algo que desearian que no existieran, aprovechen ahora que somos bien recibidos y no luego cuando lleguemos al punto de que desseen que no volvamos mas.-

Despues de todo lo mas facil es portarse bien y ganarse la consideracion y el respeto de todos, hagan la prueba y veran los resultados.-

A mi entender lo mejor que se puede hacer para no aburrirse es tratar de participar en algun deporte o en alguna actividad escolar. Yo comprendo que hay veces que nos sentimos cansados de e star qui pero si tenemos algo que hacer no nos procupamos, por lo menos tenemos menos tiempo para pensar en eso.-

El colegio les brinda muchas oportunidades para que puedan hacer algo por las tardes en sus momentos libres, tenemos muchos tipos distintos de deportes, que tienen la ventaja de darnos una oportunidad para poder sobresalir sobre los demas por nuestros propios esfuerzos. Al principio todos los deportes son dificiles, el problema es cojerles el gusto y practicar cada momento que nos sea posible.-

Nadie que se pase todo el tiempo en las barracas durmiendo por las tardes o hablando o oyendo discos puede esperar ninguna recompensa, eso es solo para los que se esfuerzan y salen adelante. To lo puedes hacer, por que no tratas. Ahora para la temporada de invierno tenemos varios deportes que quzas sean del agrado de ustedes y de los cuales todos quisieran que ustedes trataran. Por ejemplo, tenemos Naracion, Esgrima, Basket Ball, y tiro. El que quizas no le guste uno o no tenga aptitudes para uno especial, puede tratar los otros y quizas encuentre el que le conviene.-

El que no le gustan los deportes puede entrar en otros actividades como editor del periodico, sacar fotos para el auardio e infinidades mas.-

Quizas algunos de ustedes se animen despues de esto y lleguen como Rodrigues y Flores, nuestros representantes en el Honor Committe y el Student Body respectivamente. O quizas lleguen a ser las estrellas de cualquieta de los teams del colegio.

Traten de hacerlo una vez y se daran de cuenta de que les digo la verda. Arriba que el mundo no se hizo para los vagos y perezosos.

Luis Mojarrieta.

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Buddy has accepted a commission in the Naval Reserve as a lieutenant junior grade.

Ed Click is stationed in Alaska as a lieutenant in the army. He graduated from William and Mary in 1954.

Terry Duval and Lou Munding are attending Hampden-Sydney College.

The Spotlight

S. D. Askin, Sports Editor

Episcopal Dubs The Cadets 33 to 0

It was a sad day indeed, when Episcopal came to A.M.A. as the score shows. However, the score doesn't show the efforts of our under sized and handicapped team. We are proud to say that the Cadets fought every inch of the way, although it was evident from the very start, that the Episcopal team roller was too much for A.M.A.

As far as the weather goes, it was a perfect day for football, from the spectators view point. It was a little too warm to keep the players comfortable, but then it wasn't extremely warm. Those who have attended previous Augusta home games, no doubt, have noticed the dust bowl effects when the action is centered in the middle of the field. The absence of the dust was the only good part of the whole game. It is hoped that the conditions will be somewhat similar for the Fishburne game.

The outstanding players for Augusta were Chuck Hollingsworth, Steve Rodgers and Jim Mahanes. Hollingsworth played a tremendous game both defensively and offensively. Episcopal gained little ground over him as he often stopped a ball carrier even though two men were trying to move him. Jimmy Mahanes played the game with an injured foot and did a good job at backing the line and playing quarterback. An excellent job of punting was turned in by Steve Rogers who also played a good game at safety. Jim Turner, Julian Byrd, Hank Serwat, Harry Sommers, and Hugh Llewellyn were also in there fighting.

A. M. A. Fencers Sharpen Up

Most any afternoon down in Hoover Hall you can hear the clash of steel against steel and many shouts in Spanish and English. No one is trying to hurt anyone, it is just the fencing team in practice.

This year, as a few times in the past, the A.M.A. fencing team has its back to the wall, so to speak. This does not by any means imply that we are not going to have a long string of wins, but it does mean that the "heat is on," and we are going to be forced to come up with a good team.

The team has been hard hit by the absence of some of last year's veterans, but by the willingness to work, we are confident that we will have a very good year.

Sports Editorial

Now that the football season is at its close, it is time to look back, as well as look towards the future. Of the nine games that were scheduled for this past football season only six were played. The other three were all cancellations and were also with teams that were in our class. Randolph Macon cancelled this past Saturday because of 6 inches of snow on the turf. This was a bad break for the cadets since they seemed to be up for this one.

The future in sports here at A.M.A. for winter has a much brighter outlook. Leading off, the basketball team has a chance to go places with a determined and sincere coach as Malcolm Livick. Forty boys have gone out for this sport and this should give us a workable Varsity and Junior Varsity.

If we give Coach Livick the attention he deserves, he can develop these boys as well as Coach Jimmy Taylor of the J. V.'s can.

Other winter sports that we look forward to are fencing and swimming. Both of these sports in the past few years have shown great strides under the capable leadership of Coach Paul V. Hoover. Coach Hoover is anxious to develop teams that will make Augusta proud, and these teams could do just that.

In another field we find Sgt. Jewel Lawrence and his rifle team. This team in the past two years has been the leading team here at Augusta. This sport requires individual ability instead of teamwork and that seems to be an important factor in its success.

Regardless of your ability and lack of knowledge of the above sports, choose one, and go out for a team. Furthermore, if you want winning teams here at Augusta, you must get behind these boys and show that you are interested.

There are many new prospects for the team this year, and we hope that they will prove themselves. We will have a terrific fight this year against teams such as V.M.I. and North Carolina State and other college varsity teams. We hope that we will be able to have a crack at West Point and the Naval Academy.

Louis Mojarrieta is sure to be the captain of the epee squad while Hugh Harmon is certain to take the captainship of the foil team. It is undecided who will head the saber squad as yet. It is not too late to start, so anyone who wants to come down is "Welcome".

J. A. Pugh

Basketball Season Gets Underway



STINE ON A "46"



BYRD ABOUT TO TACKLE

THE FISHBURNE Rifle Team -A.M.A. CLASSIC Gets Ready

The Fishburne game, which has been played on Thanksgiving for half a century, should prove quite interesting. On paper there is no comparison between the two teams. Fishburne enters this game with a pretty fair record while Augusta has yet to win its first game. This situation was visa-versa last year. Augusta had the winning record while Fishburne hadn't won one, but Fishburne was victorious 9-0. Again Fishburne has many good players.

Augusta seems up for this game. There honestly seems to be the desire to win, something that is tough to maintain with a losing team. There might just be an upset tomorrow. With proper backing from the Corps and the determination of the team, a big upset may be in the making in the Turkey Day Tilt.

This year we are looking forward to a great rifle team. Under the fine coaching of Major Christy and M/Sgt. Lawrence, we can be assured of a winning team.

Last year A.M.A. received first place in the V.P.I. match of Southern Military Schools, placed second in the State match, and won the 2nd Army Trophy.

The first match this year is a postal match held with the National Rifle Association on Nov. 30. This match will be fired on our range. I'm sure everybody will do his best and try to be on the top five.

Cadets who returned to Augusta this year, and who were members of the team last year, are: Cadets Ed. Daughtry, Herman Cuesta, Jim Smith, Roberto Pupo and Georgie Holland.

New members of the rifle team this year are: Arria, Hernandez, Palm, Lopez, Turner C., Turner R., Smith E. C.

KNOW YOUR PLAYERS

Here you are seated at the Augusta Clay Bowl, Thanksgiving, 1955. You begin to wonder who has been making all those terrific tackles on the Fishburne players, and who that was grinding off all the yardage against Fishburne. The boy who was doing all the tackling was Charles Hollingsworth of Lynchburg. Charles is now in his third varsity season here at Augusta. Though he weighs but 170 pounds, and stands 5' 10" he seems to be in on every tackle. From his guard position he moves both swiftly and accurately. Many opposing players can certify that Charley really hits hard.

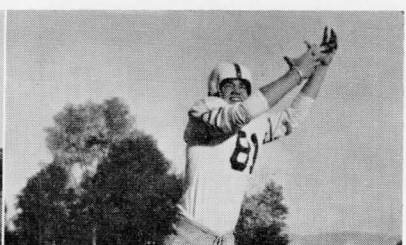
The boy running like a deer with his head always back is our school president from Waynesboro,

Jimmy Mahanes. "Cheena", as he is usually referred to, is "Mr. Football" here at Augusta. In the past three years of Jim's varsity football career he has moved from the line to the backfield. Starting at center his first year, over to tackle his second year, and this year you name it, he plays it. This year he has played tackle and linebacker on defense and quarterback, halfback, end, and fullback on offense. After graduation Jimmy hopes to play for North Carolina. He weighs 190 pounds and stands 6' 2".

Both these boys will see a lot of action this Thursday and next year when they enter college, you will hear more about them.



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MAHANES

As the 1955 football season is about to close here at A.M.A. we see the interest in basketball steadily increasing day by day. Although the official season doesn't open until January, arrangements are being made to secure a number of practice sessions and scrimmages before the Christmas vacation. This early start will give the players a chance to get used to the stiff running pace and handling the ball.

This year's team is under the able guidance of Lieut. Livick, who has just returned from a two year tour of duty in Europe. Prior to joining the air force, Lt. Livick following up an outstanding athletic career from his high school in Harrisonburg, Va., by playing for the University of Virginia three years on their varsity team. While he was in the service, Malcolm Livick coached a team that lost only 4 games out of its schedule. This team was sparked by a fierce desire to win, backed by the results of excellent coaching. It is plain to see that Augusta will benefit from the quick spirit and top-notch techniques of its new basketball coach, Lieutenant Livick.

Last years entire varsity first string is back again this year to play, with the possible exception of one or two boys who may not be able to participate. One of the main drawbacks on our team last year was the lack of sufficient height for rebounding strength. This problem is greatly helped by the addition of several tall, new cadets who have seen previous experience. One of these is Hank Serwat from Geneva, Illinois who is 6' 2". He is a junior with championship varsity experience. Another is Dick Wells, 6' 2" from Oil City, Pa., who has seen J. V. action, along with Jack and Jim Harrison from Cleveland, Ohio; 6' 1" and 6' 2" respectively. Another boy who has seen varsity action, along with Serwat, is Bob Carson from Lynchburg, Va., where he played guard. All of these boys will undoubtedly prove valuable to Augusta this year under the expert coaching of Lieutenant Livick. By all rights, next year's team ought to be just as powerful since the new boys are all juniors except John Bradshaw, who is a freshman.

In looking at the prospects for this year, we must not neglect to mention the boys who played last year. Bob Mariner, a senior, is looking forward to making this season his best so far. Steve Askin, also a senior, is interested in doing the same thing. Enrico Leuterio is another senior who played regularly last year, but he is thinking about devoting his time to his studies this season. Alan Gossom, another regular, may try his hand at a different sport in this, his final year at Augusta. Forrest Sheffer will undoubtedly be out again this year. Nick Crump, 6' 4", is thinking about giving his services to the team, along with Adrian Howard. Both of these boys have been absent from the basketball scene for a season. Julian Byrd is a junior who so far has not been mentioned, although he was active on last years team.

Taking all things into account, the team this year ought to have a successful season. Of course, it will take a great deal of work, but that is the only way to win. It would be a decided help to the team if the entire corps would get out and back them in their efforts. Then the team would respond by giving everything they have in order to win.



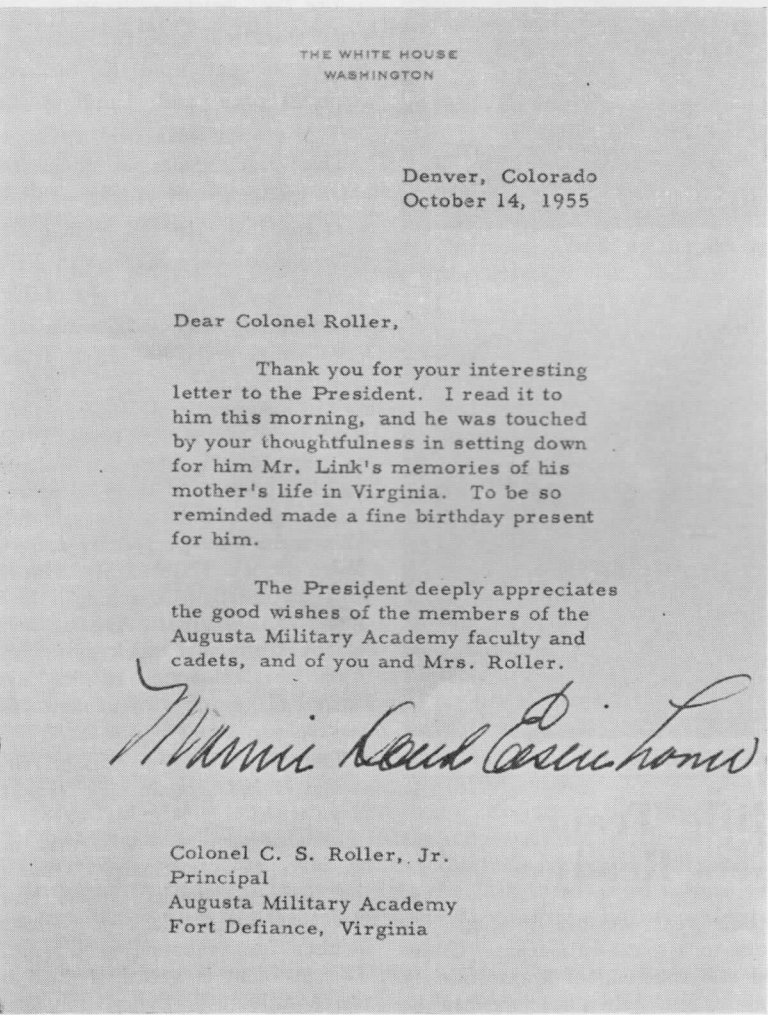
1955 FOOTBALL SQUAD

Colonel Roller Writes To The President

In October Colonel Roller sent to President Eisenhower a letter telling him about his mother's life in Augusta County. It described how his mother was born here in Augusta, lived here, and taught school in the Shenandoah Valley. Her farm adjoins the land of Augusta Military Academy to the north and is visited by travelers on the Valley Pike.

Mrs. Eisenhower told how the President was touched by the details of his mother's life in Virginia.

The President sent his best wishes to the Cadets to Col. Roller and the faculty of the school. It was only fitting that the corps should offer its wishes for the President's complete and speedy recovery, we only hope that the letter helped the President's recovery.



A.M.A. Gym Scene of Teen-Queen Hop

On Saturday, the fifth of November, the first annual Teen Queen Hop was held. The dance was for all schools in Augusta County and Queens were chosen from all the high schools in the County. Then the final queen was chosen at the dance.

The dance was sponsored by the Verona Lions Club who used the proceeds for the worthy cause of buying eyeglasses for all the needy school children in Augusta County. The children are interviewed by their teachers, and given eye examinations by registered doctors in this field. Then the ones who don't have the money for eyeglasses are given money from the proceeds from the dance.

In the absence of Col. C. S. Roller, Col. H. D. Deane crowned petite Miss Joyce Fleshhood, the first Annual Teen-Queen. The queen was a small brunette from Lee High School. She was chosen from the queens who marched in from the back of the Gym to the stage. She received a combination, radio-victrola donated by Westing-



Annual Football Banquet Held

Annual Football banquet at A.M.A. is an event which everyone looks forward to with a great deal of pleasure. Col. Roller always serves a bounteous supply of the best food obtainable.

There is an informal program which is just as much a part of this event as is the food. This program consists of talks made by Col. Roller, the different coaches, and the captains of the teams. Besides the talks, this is the time when the monograms are awarded to the varsity and junior varsity players.

For the first time this year, the juniors will have a part on the program.

Award certificates of recognition will be given to those juniors who played in the junior football program.

The following cadets will receive these certificates: Ralph Bradley, Norris Corbell, Steve Durst, Pedro Fraile, Carlos Giammaria, Richard Grammer, Henery Goddoy, Sam Lambert, Billy McVey, Jose Parra, Walter Rogers, David Rhode, Gorden Saunders, Dale Skaggs, Tim Staudt, Ronald Ward, and Freddy Womer.

The following cadets will receive Varsity awards in football: Butter Byrd, Bob Carson, Jim Crass, Ben Glass, Charles Hollingsworth, Adrian Howard, Jim Hume, Buddy Krise, Hugh Llewellyn, Jimmy Mahanes, Dickie Robinson, Steve Rogers, Hank Serwat, Goodloe Saunders, Steve Tomasek, Jim Turner, and Dick Wells.

The following cadets will receive Junior Varsity awards in football: Steve Askins, Bill Babione, John Biggs, Clotfelter, C., Ted Rinios, Don Radford, Joe Rossodivita, and Harry Sommers.

The following cadets on the Tiger squad will receive awards: John Buchanan, Rock Clotfelter, Ed England, Jack Harrison, Coyt Johnson, William Kelley, Joe LaRue, Bill McAlleese, Roger Morris, Dick Mower, Richard Mudd, Tom Mudd, Tom Seeberger, Bill Waldron, Harry Withers, and Jay Wood.

Colonel Roller always presents an award to the players or player of his choice. This award was won this year by cadets Steve Rodgers, and Charles Hollingsworth.

Traditions at Augusta

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wagons, men on horseback, coaches, and travelers on foot. The salute, part of the "Spirit of Augusta" is a sign of Augusta's courtesy and greeting to all.

Two Thanksgiving Day traditions of A.M.A. are the annual pep rally and bonfire preceding the Thanksgiving Day football game. The corps is all out at this event and everyone has a great time. The second is the Thanksgiving Banquet held just before the big dance and you can be sure that we have many parents, visitors, and alumni here that night. On that night the football awards are given out and speeches are made.

The daily tradition is the short speech made each day at lunch by Col. Roller. Usually about twenty minutes long, he covers everything and covers it well. This speech points out defects in the corps. As colonel says "Forwarned is for-

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BIRTHDAYS

We have had a few birthdays in Junior Barracks this month. Allen Ames had his 14th birthday. Butch Ward had his 13th birthday too. They had parties and everyone in Junior Barracks was invited. Boy were they hungry.

NEW COMERS

We have had a few boys to come to Junior Barracks. They are Billy McVey who had to move in to 361. They had all the trunks in there. He keeps his room neat and gets first place every day. We also have had a few new cadets to enter since school started. They are Cadet Robbie Grattan and Jerry Grattan.

OUR FOOTBALL TEAM

As you know we have a team called the Sardines. We have played two games with Harrisonburg, once there and once here. The boys who have played both games are:

Right Halfback—Carlos Giammaria
Left Halfback—Peter Friele
Quarterback—Freddy Womer

Holiday Ball

That night, in conclusion of the Thanksgiving Weekend the Cotillion Club held its Christmas Formal. For the first time ever a figure was held and the members of the Cotillion Club took part in it. There were favors given to the participants of the figure. There were many outside guests who attended this dance and everyone greatly enjoyed themselves. The decorations were slightly changed from the preceding dances with two giant Christmas trees being displayed. The decoration committee, led by Dickie Mower did an excellent job in decorating for this festive occasion.

armed" and colonel does a lot of warning.

On Monday night we have time devoted to discussing what has happened during the week and awards are given out to outstanding cadets.

The spring banquet is much the same. Awards are given out for those who won them in the winter sports.

Another old tradition is the Easter Service. On this day the cadets have a short service which is attended by parents, visitors, and the entire corps.

On Mother's Day the cadets wear red flowers on their jackets in honor of their mother. For those that have lost their mothers a white flower is worn in memory.

About the most important is the service held honoring Professor Charles S. Roller on May 8th. This service called "Founders Day" has the entire corps marching up the Valley Pike to the graveyard at the Old Augusta Stone Church, where impressive services are held.

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I feel sure that we are going to have a good time in Junior Barracks this year. The rooms in "J" Barracks this year, as in past years, are very good. One of the best rooms in the barracks is 342. Cadets Hubbard, Tim Staudt, Fred Womer, and Omar Abdullah occupy this room.

EXAMINATION POINTERS

Exams are almost here. We need to check the following list for this examination and any others which come later:

1. Have you reviewed your work?
2. Do you pay close attention during review?
3. Do you keep your assignments up to date?
2. Have you done any parallel work in your courses?
5. Have you used your study periods properly?
6. Have you handed in all back work?

After you have entered the exam room, there are some things that you must observe.

1. You must not talk.
2. You must pay close attention to the directions given.
3. You can not leave the room without permission.
4. You must not give nor receive any help.
5. You must not carry books or paper to the exam room, unless instructed to do so by the teacher.
6. You must remain in your seat until you are dismissed.
7. You must sign a pledge.

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